



The Fire Hazard Reduction Program is designed to minimize fire danger by removing flammable brush, reducing vegetation density, and creating adequate defensible spacing. This reduction increases firefighter and public safety and improves the Department's ability to protect your property in the event of a fire.

Poorly maintained vegetation is a natural, volatile fuel for fast-spreading wildfires. Well-placed, well-maintained vegetation beautifies and protects neighborhoods.

In accordance with the City of Ventura's Fire Code within Appendix Q, all City of Ventura property owners whose properties are identified as in fire hazard areas, are required to perform fire hazard reduction clearance. The Ventura Fire Department is authorized to bill for defensible space inspections and other state mandated inspections as seen in the City's adopted fee schedule.



Learn more:
www.CityofVentura.ca.gov/FHRP



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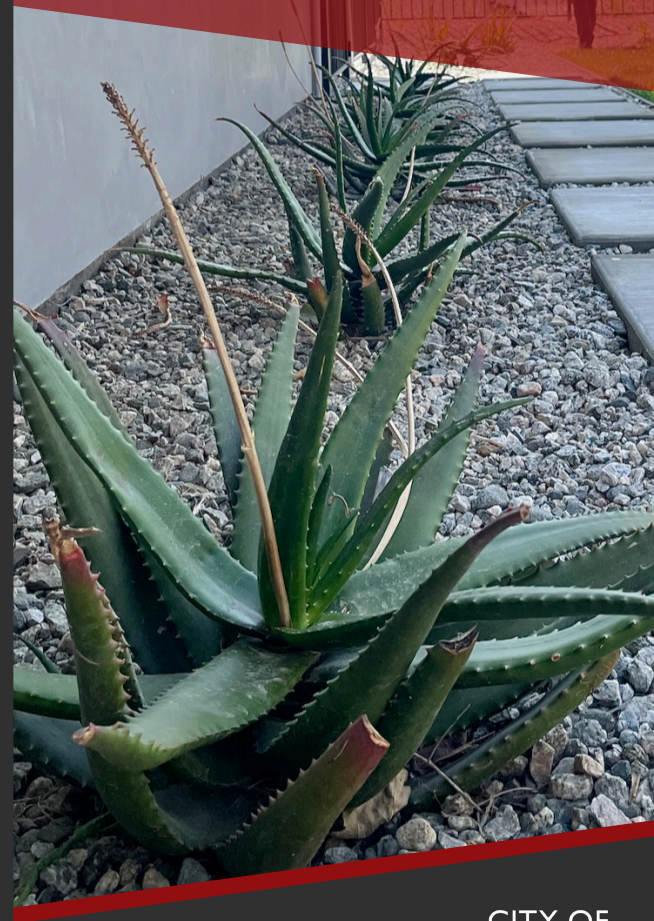
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Protect Your Community From Wildfire

Fire Hazard Reduction Program



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1 Lean, Clean, and Green Zone Within 30 feet of structures

2 Reduced Fuel Zone Within 30-100 feet of structures, or to the property line

DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Each year, hundreds of homes in the wildland urban interface areas are destroyed by wildfire. To make a difference in protecting your property, follow these defensible space requirements.

Zone 1: Clearing an area of 30 feet immediately surrounding your home is critical. This area requires the greatest reduction in flammable vegetation, with an emphasis on the first 5 feet being an ember resistant zone.

Zone 2: The fuel reduction zone in the remaining 70 feet (or to the property line) will depend on both the steepness of your property and the vegetation. Spacing between plants improves the chance of stopping a wildfire before it destroys your home.

When clearing vegetation, use care if operating equipment, such as lawnmowers. One small spark may start a fire; a string trimmer is much safer. Remove all build-up of needles and leaves from your roof and gutter. Keep tree limbs trimmed at least 3 feet from roofs and remove dead limbs that hang over your home or garage.



HOME HARDENING

Home hardening is an important component of being prepared:

- Install non-combustible gutters and downspouts.
- Install multi-pane windows.
- Install ember resistant vents.
- Build your roof or re-roof with materials such as composition, metal, clay, or tile.
- Avoid use of combustible lattice, trellis, or other decorative features.
- Construct decks and patio covers with ignition-resistant, non-combustible materials.
- Install weather stripping around and under the garage door.

READY, SET, GO!

Be ready ahead of time with an emergency plan, get set in case of an evacuation, and go when notified.

Sign-up for emergency notifications:

- Visit www.VCAalert.org
- Call 805-648-9283
- Text the word VCAalert to 313131. Follow the instructions to register

